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In the Claims:

~~Please~~ amend Claim 25 as follows:

25. (Amended) A method for providing to each global positioning (GPS) unit in a plurality of aircraft software code containing updated aeronautical navigation data, said method comprising the steps of:

assigning to each GPS unit a unique software key;

forwarding a request from one of said GPS units for the updated aeronautical data to a software supplier, said request including the one GPS ~~unit's~~ unique software key and payment authorization information;

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encrypting the software code for the updated aeronautical navigation data by the supplier in response to said request, said encrypted software code including a decryption program;

transmitting to the one GPS unit said encrypted software code including said decryption program which only allows software to be unloaded into a GPS unit having the unique software key;

